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SUBJECT: TRAVEL TO SYRIA BY USG OFFICIALS AND DEPENDENTS

REFS: A. ANKARA 3449; B. STATE 028333

1. BEIRUT WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION AT THIS TIME TO AMENDING INSTRUCTIONS IN REF B TO PERMIT OVERLAND TRAVEL BETWEEN SYRIA AND TURKEY BY STATE PERSONNEL AND DEPENDENTS. FROM OUR CONVERSATIONS, WE UNDERSTAND USINT DAMASCUS ALSO CONCURS BUT WE HESITATE TO SPEAK FOR USINT.

2. AT PRESENT TIME BEITU IS REQUIRING CLEARANCE BY RSO AND DCM OF ALL EMBASSY PERSONNEL PLANS FOR TRAVEL IN SYRIA. GIVEN PRESENT ENCOURAGING BUT DELICATE STATE US-SARG RELATIONS WE BELIEVE IT WORTHWHILE MAKE EVERY EFFORT ANTICIPATE AND AVOID ANY POTENTIAL FOR REGRETTABLE INCIDENTS.

3. IN ACCORDANCE WITH REF B WE HAVE NOT PERMITTED DOD PERSONNEL TO VISIT SYRIA ALTHOUGH UNDER EXISTING INSTRUCTIONS FROM DEPT. DOD DEPENDENTS ARE ALLOWED.

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AGREE WITH ANKARA THAT CONFLICT BETWEEN DOD INSTRUCTIONS

AND THOSE OF STATE SHOULD BE CLARIFIED AND WE, OF COURSE,
WOULD WISH TO BE INFORMED OF ANY AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING
REGULATIONS.
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